IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Ap	plication of:) Jean-Jacques Codani et al.)	
Applica	tion No: 10/723,522)	Art Unit: 1631
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Sir:

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated September 25, 2007, and for the purpose of placing into compliance the Amendment and Response filed on July 16, 2007, in response to the Office Action dated January 19, 2007, Applicants submit the following Amendment and Response to Notice of Non-Complaint Amendment.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those which may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper; however, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any required fees or deficiencies to Deposit Account Number 06-1448, Reference GIO-101.

As set forth below, please amend the specification, cancel claims 1, 34, 35 and 39-46, add new claims 47-57, and amend claims 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12-19 and 26-32.

The cancellation of claims 34, 35 and 39-46, and the addition of new claims 48-57, is in response to the Notice of Non-Complaint Amendment, and is intended to resolve the duplicate-claim-numbering issue raised therein. Other claim cancellations, additions and amendments are those made in the prior non-compliant amendment, in response to the Office Action dated January 19, 2007.

Applicant respectfully suggests that pending original, amended and new claims 2-22, 26-33 and 47-57 are now in condition for allowance.